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speech, and of that strictly legal mind which wants to understand all things brought under its notice and to get at the root of them by a process of logical reasoning and common-sense. Mr. POLLOCK must be one of the elect. Then we have the qualifications of Mr. E. A. HEWETT to consider, and not to be lost sight of are the pretensions of Mr. AHMET RUMJAHN. To take the last first, Mr. RUMJAHN is a public-spirited citizen whose many endeavours to promote the weal of the community cannot but be considered admirable; however, it must be remembered that the representation on the Board as regards other than Europeans is already laid down by the Government as an almost unalterable principle. The European community therefore can be excused if they resolve to stand or fall by one of their own race. And now comes the question: Is it to be Mr. HEWETT or Mr. HOOPER? Mr. HEWETT represents great mercantile interests, has held the most responsible position that can be held in the Shanghai Municipal Council, and he is a man acquainted with the routine of municipal work. Mr. HOOPER, on the other hand, has little experience of work of a public nature. But that notwithstanding, he is a man of exceptional experience in the life of the Colony: he knows more perhaps about the building business of Hongkong than most men; he is acquainted with its sanitary requirements and he is not a man to let his own interests stand in the way of the public need. Mr. HEWETT would serve any electorate loyally and with credit, but with all respect to his many qualities and his eminent good sense and integrity, we think that Mr. HOOPER has the better claim to the suffrages of the electors.

It is very important that the electors should bear in mind that the rules for the election here are very different to those which obtain in elections at home. The nominations will take place at the City Hall this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Nomination papers will be supplied by the Returning Officer or his assistants to be duly filled in and these being found in order the voting, which will be by ballot, will at once be proceeded with, and the ballot box will remain open until six o'clock. No elector can give more than one vote. In elections anywhere else in the wide world, if there are two persons to be elected on any public body, the electors have the right to give two votes. We understand that the Attorney-General has definitely decided that the words of the Ordinance: "No elector shall give more than one vote" must be taken to mean precisely what they say. As it stands, the rule is absurd and ought to have been revised before being incorporated in the New Ordinance. We imagine that the intention of the framers of the rules, which have been in existence, we believe, fully twenty years or more, was to prevent "plumping"; but the rule is now held to mean that an elector can only give one vote even though there were a dozen seats to be filled on the Board. Surely it was never intended to mean that.

Voting papers will be supplied to the electors present, who have to write on them the one candidate of their choice and in the next column put a cross against the candidate's name. The persons entitled to vote at the election are ratepayers who are included in the Special and Common Jury Lists for the year 1903 and also those ratepayers who are exempted from serving on Juries on account of their professional avocations. The lists of Special and Common Juries were published in the Government Gazette of the 6th inst., and number upwards of 1,000 persons.

The British cruiser *Talbot* returned from practice yesterday.

The first instalment of our new serial, *Rayner's Peril*, by Bertram Mitford, author of *The Ruby Sword*, etc., appears to-day on page 5.

Eight fresh cases of bubonic plague were reported in the Colony up to noon yesterday. All the victims were Chinese. The total for the year now stands at 110.

The unsold portion of the Peking silks which were offered for sale yesterday by Messrs. Hughes and Hough will be open for inspection and sale to-day at the auctioneers' sales-rooms in Ica House Street. Collectors of Peking lace should not fail to view the collection.

On Monday and Tuesday next gun practice will be carried out at Stonecutters' Island at targets in a westerly direction. Gun practice will also take place to-morrow from a position on Chin Lan Chun Hill towards targets placed on the east side of Nog Tankok.

Mr. A. J. May, of Queen's College, is going home on leave and is taking with him four Eurasian boys, all Queen's College scholars. Their names are:—Hung Hing Kam, Hung Kwok Leung, Ho Sai Kwong, and Ho Sai Leung. The first two have already passed the Senior Oxford Local Examinations and the other two are still students in the Queen's College.

A London despatch of the 25th ult. states that Russia has requested America to co-operate with the other Powers to stop the illegal importation of arms into China.

A New York despatch to the *Cablenews* states that a company has been incorporated for the purpose of taking over the franchises for an electric light and street railway plant in Manila. The capital stock was fixed at one million dollars fully paid and non-assessable.

The Philippines Civil Commission has appointed engineers to investigate conditions relative to the building of railroads in the various parts of the Archipelago. They will visit all parts of the islands and the possible routes for roads, make preliminary surveys and report to the Civil Governor. The results of their investigations will be published in the United States with a view to interesting capital in the construction of railroads in the Philippine Islands. These engineers are to be under the general supervisory control of the consulting engineer to the Commission.

Mr. Schwab, the President of the United States Steel Trust, and at present travelling in Europe, has been negotiating with the Russian railway authorities for permission to run his own special train on the railway system of the Russian Empire as far as Port Arthur. Mr. Schwab has received permission to run his own special train along the Siberian Railway as far as Lake Baikal. A through communication by rail comes to an end a few miles eastwards of Irkutsk and on the shores of the lake, the Russian authorities have promised to place a special train at Mr. Schwab's disposal throughout the entire length of the Manchurian Railway.

POLO.

The first round in the Royal Artillery Cup tournament will take place on Saturday, the 28th inst., the draw for which is as follows:—14th Bombay Infantry v. 33rd Burns Infantry, Civilians v. Club. By permission of Lt.-Col. Candy and Officers, the band of the 14th Bombay Infantry will play.

REFORM OF THE GERMAN LANGUAGE.

A New York telegram of the 18th inst. appearing in the *Manila Cables* says:—The German Emperor is planning an active reform in the German language. The use of the present alphabet will be entirely discontinued in the schools and public medium and the grammar will be much simplified. The general plan of the reform is in accordance with suggestions made by several of the leading Universities.

SUGGESTED UNION OF HOLLAND AND GERMANY.

A telegraphic despatch in a Manila contemporary says it is announced that a union of the Kingdom of Holland and the German Empire may be effected. The German Emperor is exceedingly anxious to make Holland a part of the empire allowing her to retain practically the same government as at present. Many prominent statesmen in Holland are said to look with favour on the suggestion as it would give to their country the protection of the great military establishment of Germany.

THE TSAR'S UKASE AND THE JEWS.

According to a telegraphic despatch in a Manila contemporary, an additional ukase, issued at St. Petersburg on the 10th inst., makes a sensational modification of the edict formerly issued, giving religious freedom and self-government to the people of Russia.

When the first ukase was issued the people went wild with delight and in every part of the Empire celebrations were held and every one took part. The Emperor Nicholas was hailed as a second Alexander, and his generosity was praised as equal to that of the liberator of the serfs. No portion of the people were so enthusiastic as the Jews, for it has been upon them that the weight of the rigorous taxes fell most heavily.

Now comes a modification of the act which provides that its privileges shall not extend to the Jews, who are to remain in their former status as regards religious and civil liberty. Coming after the first announcement, when their hopes were raised, this ukase has produced a very sullen temper among the Jews and large preparations are being made to avert disorder.

WATKINS, LIMITED.

The report for presentation to the shareholders at the fourth ordinary general meeting, to be held at the offices of the Company, at noon, on Saturday, the 28th inst., is as follows:—

Gentlemen.—Annexed we beg to submit to you a statement of the accounts of the Company to the 31st December, 1902.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Including the balance carried forward from last year, the amount of this account shows: ... \$15,361.06

Bad and doubtful debts written off: ... \$1,706.85

Amounts written off for depreciation: ... 2,601.71

4,307.96

Leaving the sum of \$11,053.10

From which sum your general managers propose to pay 10 per cent. dividend for the year 1902, absorbing \$10,000.00

Forwarded to new account: \$1,053.10

EQUALISATION OF DIVIDEND.

The balance at credit of this fund stands at \$4,802.57.

AUDITOR.

The accounts have been audited by Mr. W. Hutton Potts.

G. A. WATKINS, General Manager.

CH'AN A FOOK, General Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1903.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

VENEZUELA.

LONDON, 22nd March.

President Castro has resigned, but Congress unanimously refuses to accept his resignation.

THE TRANSVAAL LABOUR QUESTION.

LONDON, 22nd March.

The Radicals are raising a strong agitation against the proposed methods for recruiting natives for the Rand Mines and insist that it is merely a form of slavery. Mr. Chamberlain indignantly repels this idea.

RIOTS AT BUDAPEST.

LONDON, 22nd March.

Serious student riots have taken place at Budapest on the anniversary of the death of Kosuth. The police were attacked with heavy missiles and sticks, and a number were injured.

THE SANITARY BOARD ELECTION.

The rules governing the election of two members of the Sanitary Board to-day, as laid down in Schedule C of the New Ordinance, are as follows:—

1. Elections shall take place at such time and place as shall be previously notified by command of the Governor in the *Gazette*.

2. The Registrar of the Supreme Court, herein after termed the Registrar, shall in accordance with any such notification summon to an election the persons by law entitled to vote at such election and shall preside at the election.

3. The name of every candidate must be proposed in writing by one elector and seconded by another.

4. No elector shall give more than one vote.

5. The voting shall be by ballot.

6. The name of every elector voting must be recorded.

7. The ballot-box must be opened and the votes counted in the presence of the electors present.

8. Candidates, as such, are not disqualified from voting.

9. In the event of two candidates having an equal number of votes, only one of whom can be elected, their names must be submitted to another.

10. As to any matters connected with the order of proceeding not hereby provided for, the Registrar shall take such order as he thinks fit.

11. The Registrar shall make a return of the electors to the Governor as soon as conveniently may be after the election. The return must be accompanied, for the Governor's information, by:—

(a) A list of the electors present at the meeting.

(b) A list of the candidates with the names of their proposers and seconds.

(c) A list of voters.

(d) A statement of the number of votes given for each candidate.

POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, 24th March.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (POLICE MAGISTRATE).

THEFT AT QUARRY BAY SHIPYARD.

Li Kwei, a stonecutter, was charged on the complaint of J. Lacock, head watchman at Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's shipyard, Quarry Bay, with stealing two steel plates of the value of \$5.50.

The accused pleaded not guilty, but was convicted on evidence and sentenced to three weeks' hard labour.

USING A KNIFE.

Young Lam, a fishmonger, denied that he stabbed Fung Chi, a coolie, in Queen's Road West on the 16th inst.

The affair took place in an opium den, where the two men quarrelled. Finally the defendant pulled out a knife and wounded the complainant in the hip, necessitating his removal to the Government Civil Hospital.

The prisoner told his Warden that it was the complainant who struck him, and that in doing so he knocked against the tip of the defendant's knife, inflicting the injury to his thigh.

The charge was found proved and sentence passed of two months' hard labour.

WASTING WATER.

Three dollars was assessed as the value of a quantity of fresh water which a private in the 10th Bombay Infantry allowed to run to waste the other day at the Police Pier, Kowloon. The alternative to paying the money was seven days' hard labour.

TOO MUCH LIQUEUR.

George Jennings, the seaman who last week summoned the chief mate of the *Howard de Troop* for assault, and who told Mr. J. H. Kemp that he did not wish to return to the ship as his life would not be worth two cents, was charged with having been drunk and incapable in the public street.

He pleaded guilty, and was discharged with a caution.

BEFORE MR. J. H. KEMP (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).

GAMBLERS' WATCHMAN.

Leung Yat, a coolie, admitted to having acted in the unlawful capacity of a watchman to street gamblers, whom he was to apprise of the approach of the police, and was fined \$7 or 14 days' hard labour.

THE NEW ADMIRALTY DOCK.

IMPORTANT MOVEMENT TO SECURE ITS REMOVAL.

A meeting was held at the Hongkong Club yesterday with reference to the new Admiralty dock now in course of construction. About eighty members were present.

Hon. R. SHewan moved that Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., be asked to take the chair. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Sir Paul Chater, G.M.C., then took the chair and explained to the meeting that he had been informed that owing to certain difficulties in connection with the foundations of the new Admiralty dock, it seemed probable that the Admiralty might be induced to grant a favourable consideration to any reasonable scheme which might be brought forward to remove the dock from its present site, placed as it is in the centre of the sea front of the City of Victoria. The Chairman hoped that the members present were unanimous in their decision to have the dock removed from its present site, placed as it is in the centre of the sea front of the City of Victoria. (Applause.)

On the motion of the Hon. R. SHewan, seconded by Mr. Justice WISE, the following gentlemen were then elected on a Committee for the purpose of bringing the views of the public in this matter before the proper authorities:—

Sir P. Chater (Chairman), Hon. C. W. Dickson, Messrs. W. Poate, J. R. M. Smith, T. P. Cochrane, H. E. Pollock, E. A. Hewett, W. Dunby, A. G. Wood, Hon. G. Stewart, Hon. H. Kai, Messrs. W. N. Mody, D. E. Brown, E. W. Mitchell, Hon. R. Shewan, Messrs. H. E. Tomkins, G. Forbes, G. H. Medhurst, G. Ballock, and J. H. Lewis.

At a meeting of the Committee which was held at the conclusion of the general meeting, it was decided to ask His Excellency the Governor to consent to receive a deputation from the Committee for the purpose of an interchange of views being effected. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., was then chosen as Chairman of the Committee and Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., as Honorary Secretary, and a sub-Committee was appointed from the General Committee, consisting of the Chairman and Messrs. R. Shaw, G. Stewart, W. Poate and E. A. Hewett, and the Hon. Secretary, for the purpose of drawing up a petition for presentation to the Secretary of State for the Colonies upon

French and Russian navies combined are able to dispute the supremacy of the sea with Great Britain. It further states that Russia is willing to shed torrents of blood to defend France on the land provided that she is able to rely on the French fleet to support her in the event of war.

AMERICAN SHIPPING SUBSIDY BILL.

London, 24th February.

The Mercantile Marine Committee of the American House of Representatives has refused to report upon the Shipping Subsidy Bill.

FATAL GUN EXPLOSION.

London, 26th February.

One of the guns in Fort Lafayette, New York, exploded while being fired, four men being killed and eleven injured.

NEGROES AND THE FRANCHISE.

London, 20th February.

A meeting representing 100,000 negro voters has been held in New York State to protest against the disfranchisement of the negroes under the new Virginian Constitution. President Roosevelt was applauded for his recent appointments of negroes to official positions in the Southern States.

AN EGYPTIAN ELOPEMENT.

London, 24th February.

The Princess Nimer Alab Banem, the younger married sister of the Khedive of Egypt, objecting to harems, has eloped with an Austrian Count. It is reported that she intends becoming a Christian, and will marry the Count.

AN IMPORTANT DECISION.

London, 25th February.

The Supreme Court of the United States, in connection with the interstate transmission of lottery tickets, has given a decision which is interpreted to imply that Congress possesses plenary authority not only to regulate, but to prohibit any form of interstate commerce, thus enabling it to destroy monopolies by prohibiting the distribution of their products.

LIEUTENANT WITTON'S CASE.

London, 25th February.

Mr. Chamberlain has promised to present to His Majesty the King the Australian deputation's petition for the release of Lieutenant Witton, who is now serving a sentence of penal servitude for life for offences in connection with the Dutch Veldt Carabiners in Pietersburg district of the Transvaal.

DUTCH RAILWAY STRIKE.

London, 25th February.

Soldiers now occupy all the Dutch railway stations. They have been furnished with ball cartridge.

London, 26th February.

Dr. A. Kuypers, Premier and Minister of the Interior of Holland, has introduced a bill forming a brigade for the purpose of supplying a regular railway service in the case of strikes. He has promised an enquiry into the grievances of the railway employees who have threatened to strike.

THE VENEZUELAN TROUBLE.

London, 25th February.

The protocol in connection with the Venezuelan difficulty provides that the Hague Arbitration Court shall begin to consider the question of preferential claims on 1st September. This point is to be decided within six months, also when, how, and by whom the costs of arbitration shall be paid.

MR. HOPMEYER AND MR. CHAMBERLAIN.

London, 26th February.

The Hon. J. H. Hopmeyer, leader of the Afrikander Bond, in the course of an interview, stated that Mr. Chamberlain's tour in South Africa was generally a success. Mr. Chamberlain had acted wisely in talking to the people individually, instead of from within an official ring fence. All the people were inclined to trust him, and all sensible citizens would be loyal to the Crown.

A DOMESTIC TRAGEDY AT RAMSGATE.

London, 25th February.

A shocking tragedy has been enacted at Ramsgate. The house of a man named Henson, a bricklayer, was wrecked by an explosion of gun-cotton. Henson and his wife were found with their throats cut, and are both in a critical condition. A son, who was also in the house, was blown to pieces. Mrs. Henson had taken proceedings to obtain a separation order against her husband, who is suspected of being the author of the tragedy.

London, 26th February.

Further details of the shocking domestic tragedy at Ramsgate, yesterday show that Henson after a violent quarrel, lighted a gun-cotton fuse with the intention of blowing up the house. His son was killed whilst trying to extinguish the fuse. Meanwhile Henson cut his wife's throat and then his own. The building was completely wrecked.

A NEW SYSTEM OF ETHERGRAMS.

London, 25th February.

Sir Oliver Joseph Lodge, M.Sc., F.R.S., and D.Sc., London, Oxon., and Vict. Principal of the University of Birmingham, and Dr. Alexander Muirhead, have invented a new system of "ethergrams" (wireless telegrams) exceeding Signor Marconi's system in accuracy.

NEW GOVERNOR OF MALTA.

London, 25th February.

Sir Charles Mansfield Clarke, Bart., Quartermaster-General to the British forces, has been appointed Governor of Malta.

BANJITSINHJI ON CRICKET.

London, 25th February.

Banjitsinjhi, the noted cricketer, has expressed his strong disapproval of the proposal to widen the wickets. He eulogizes the Australian methods of bowling, and declares that true pitches are teaching English cricketers that something more than mere length is necessary to obtain wickets on good, dry, hard pitches. The unrelentless of the English climate, he considers, is against any change in the wickets, which, moreover, he

considers would be only tinkering with the laws of the game.

THE EDUCATION RATE.

London, 26th February. In addressing the Liberation Society, in London, Dr. John Clifford, M.A., the minister of Praed Street and Westbourne Park Church, and formerly President of the Metropolitan Free Churches Council, said that their forefathers went to prison in preference to paying rates to repair church fabrics, and he would go to prison before he would pay the Church Education rate.

QUEEN VICTORIA MEMORIAL.

London, 26th February. A sum of £230,000 has been subscribed towards the Queen Victoria Memorial, but three times as much is required to execute the original design.

THE DALMATIAN PROVINCES.

London, 26th February. The Sofia correspondent of the Times states that the revolutionary leaders talk of postponing the threatened insurrection in Bulgaria, Serbia, and Macedonia, until August.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN AND CANADA.

London, 27th February. The Right Hon. J. Chamberlain has been invited to visit Canada.

ANTI-GAMBLING LAWS.

London, 26th February. The State of New Jersey has read a bill a third time for the suppression of betting and wagering on any sport or competition.

A SOUTH AMERICAN SWINDLE.

London, 26th February. A swindler named Fermín Montero has been arrested at Panama for frauds amounting to 2,000,000 dollars in gold against several banks at Santiago de Chile.

COST OF MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S TOUR.

London, 26th February. It is estimated that the expenditure in connection with Mr. Chamberlain's tour will amount to £2,500.

ANARCHISTS IN NEW YORK.

London, 26th February. President Roosevelt is at present in New York, and the police are taking extraordinary precautions for his safety. In connection with the arrest of Hertzl, it is reported that a plot to kill European rulers, which the New York police asserted existed, specifically included the assassination of President Loubet.

RUSSIA AND THE FINNS.

London, 26th February. The Tsar of Russia has dismissed four Finnish Governors for protesting that the Russian military law regarding the conscription was a violation of the constitution of Finland, and had not been submitted to the Diet.

London, 27th February.

Eleven members of the Finland High Court of Justice and other officials have been dismissed without pensions for instituting proceedings against General Kaigorloff in connection with a street demonstration at Helsinki.

RUSSIAN POLICE OFFICER FUNKILLED.

London, 26th February. Colonel Spratt, Chief of the Russian Police at Kronstadt, has been deprived of his civil rights, dismissed from the army, and sentenced to two years' military punishment for taking bribes and forging.

THE UGANDA RAILWAY.

London, 27th February. The Uganda railway from Mombasa, on the coast of British East Africa, to Lake Victoria Nyanza has been completed.

AMERICAN SHIPPING SCHEME.

London, 27th February. Senator Elkin has introduced a bill in the United States Senate, imposing a 10 per cent. ad valorem duty, besides the present duties, on goods imported by other than American vessels.

AN EGYPTIAN SURPLUS.

London, 27th February. The Egyptian surplus for the past year exceeds two millions sterling.

EXCLUSION OF ALIENS.

London, 27th February. Sir Howard Vincent moved an amendment on the Address-in-reply urging the Government to legislate for the exclusion of destitute aliens. The Government under pressure agreed to consider a remedy when the report on alien immigration is received. The amendment was withdrawn.

SPEECH BY THE DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE.

London, 27th February. The Duke of Devonshire, addressing the Liberal Unionists' Association at Westminster, whilst eulogising Lord Salisbury, remarked that the duty of Prime Minister was easier for Mr. Balfour, as he could regard many questions more from the Unionist than the Conservative stand-point, rendering the two sections more intimate.

Mr. Chamberlain, he said, occupied a position second to that of Mr. Balfour. Referring to the Education Bill of last session, the Duke of Devonshire admitted that if a general election had then been held the Government would probably have been severely defeated. He spoke hopefully of a solution of the Irish land question, and said it was still possible that the question of Home Rule would be revived.

LORD ROSEBERRY AT GLASGOW.

London, 27th February. Lord Rosebery, addressing the Liberal League at Glasgow, said that the Imperialism of the British Government meant a bloated expenditure, while the country needed a saner, cheaper, and less provocative Imperialism. He accused the Government of indifference to all social questions.

RECOMMENDED NEWSPAPERS.

THE WAVERLEY PEN, for Easy Writing. THE FLYING SCOTSMAN PEN, instead of a Quill. THE FLYING J WRITES 200 words per dip. Sold at all Stationers. WAVERLEY WORKS, EDINBURGH.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION.

London, 26th February. Mr. Balfour has been elected President of the British Association for the coming year. The meeting in 1905 will be held at Cape Town and Johannesburg. The Times considers the Association will play the part of an Imperial mission helping forward the work of reconciliation, and hints that the Prince of Wales will accept the Presidency in succession to Mr. Balfour and will accompany the Association to South Africa, making the visit in every sense an Imperial one.

A FRIENDSHIP OF NINETY YEARS STANDING.

"Has anyone ever heard until to-day of a friendship of 90 years' standing between two men?" asks the *Daily News* Paris correspondent, who tells the following story:—The friends who have lived all these years in intimacy and amity are M. Legueu, of the French Academy, born on February 15, 1807, and M. Damour, of the Academy of Sciences, born on July 19, 1808. They were already playfellows when the guns of the Invalides announced the birth of the ill-fated King of Rome. Their playground then was the garden of the Palais Royal, where they made mud pies under the direction of their mothers.

A NEW YORK HOTEL.

The new Hotel Belmont, now being built in New York, promises to be a wonder. It has taken five months to blast the foundations from the solid rock. Five stories will be below the street level and twenty-two above. There will be nine stories of public, service, and storage rooms, 750 bedrooms, with a telephone in each, and nearly a thousand employees. The guests will have five lifts at their disposal, the hotel servants four, and there will be another two for the handling of freight. No bedroom will adjoin a lift shaft. The underground stories will connect by passages both with the nearest station on New York's version of the Twopenny Tube, and with the terminus of the great Vanderbilt railroad system; so that it will be possible for a guest at the Belmont to travel from his bedroom to San Francisco without leaving the cover of a roof. From foundation-stone to cornice the hotel will rise 360ft., and cost considerably over £1,000,000. When finished it is claimed that it will be not only fire but most quiet, noise, and fly-proof.

WIDENING THE WICKET.

The proposal to increase the width of the wickets of cricket continues to exercise a good deal of attention at home, and all sorts of people are rushing into print with their own particular views on the subject. Most of the less important counties are opposing the alteration, but while Yorkshire and Lancashire have not

up to latest advice pronounced their views, the Australians, Surrey, Middlesex and the Marylebone Club have welcomed the suggestion of the county captains to widen the wicket by an inch, and this is thought will be sufficient to make it law when the ruling body comes to deal with the matter. Dr. W. G. Grace, whose opinions naturally carry a great deal of weight, points out in an article he has contributed to the *King* that "there is danger in altering the rules and implements which have been in use so long and have helped to raise the game to such a height of popularity. Certainly no change should be made unless the proposed one is first given a good trial." Dr. Grace has some interesting observations to make on the width of the bats that are nowadays employed in the game. He regards it as being very strange that the authorities should have allowed bats to be wider than the rule allows. This rule, he says, will now be enforced and cricket will have to use bats of proper width. The veteran cricketer has also some pertinent things to say about the new leg-before-wicket proposals which were tried and found wanting by the minor counties last summer, and in his opinion we have heard the last of this question for twenty years to come.

THE BRITISH POST OFFICE.

Attention is called to the astonishing growth of the Post Office mail by the application of the Great Western Railway Company to the Postmaster-General for an increase from £115,000—the sum now paid—to nearly £200,000, on account of the increasing bulk and weight of the mails. The mails were first sent by railway in 1839, over the line between Liverpool and Manchester, but not until the first years of the reign of Queen Victoria (says the *Chronicle*) did the practice become general. In that year the Grand Junction Railway was opened, and our forefathers were startled by the fact that letters posted before eight o'clock in the evening could be delivered by noon on the next day in Manchester. Since that time the mails have gone on rapidly increasing. The figures of the last twenty years show that the volume of postal traffic had more than doubled. Before the establishment of the mail coaches the transmission of the post was very erratic, and in the middle of the eighteenth century between such important centres as London and Edinburgh the post was transmitted only three days a week and on one occasion consisted of only a single letter, which was for an Edinburgh banker named Ramsay. Then came the mail coaches, first established from London to Bristol by Palmer, of Bath, who started the first coach on August 2, 1784, at eight o'clock in the morning, and it reached its destination at eleven at night. Other routes were opened up in the following year, and mail coaches soon became general. They covered a period of sixty years, during which the highways were so improved that the speed of the mail coaches increased from about six miles an hour to fully ten.

LETTER STAMPING BY ELECTRICITY.

The General Post Office authorities have been testing letter-stamping machines, driven by electricity, for several months, and now, a *Pall Mall Gazette* representative learns, there are about twenty in use. They are of four types, one a Canadian invention, the others American, and are named the Bickerdike, Columbia, Boston, and Hey-Dolphin. The machines are the inventions of engineers and not electricians, and may be driven by steam or any other motive power, as well as by electric motor. They have been found very useful, as the best of them will stamp from 1,000 to 30,000 letters per hour, the others 15,000 to 20,000; but the work is not so well done as it would be by a hand-sorter, whose average speed is 2,000 per hour. "But you cannot put brains into a machine," as one of the Post Office officials observed. There are, indeed, several drawbacks to machine-stamping. The machine-stamper, for one thing, cannot always be kept in operation, because sometimes the work comes in in dribbles, and at others with a great rush. The hand-stamper knows how to place the stamp exactly where it should be; the machine often places the stamp half across the envelope, sometimes obscures the address, and makes other irregularities, so that the stamping done has to be gone over and letters weeded out and stamped by hand. None of the machines is an efficient stamper of letters of varying sizes and thicknesses; but when letters are all of one character, posted by some big commercial firm, the machines do their work rapidly and satisfactorily. Probably one or two of the machines will be introduced into the South-West District office, and other offices of similar importance, gradually. British engineers, it appears, have not given much attention to stamping machines. They have, however, ample scope to improve the types now in use.

THE THIERSGARTEN.

The Kaiser having finished the Avenue of Victory, lining it with thirty-two marble statues of his ancestors, has now turned his attention to other parts of the Thiersgarten. He has selected the well-known crossing in the centre of the Thiersgarten, called the "Großer Stern," as the scene of his operations. Round the circumference of this place will be arranged marble benches of artistic design to be backed by yew hedges. In the centre there will be a monumental fountain displaying the legend of Saint Hubert. Several other marble groups will be ranged around, giving pictures of the chase in different ages. Several eminent sculptors will be engaged. The Kaiser has given each sculptor his appointed task, going minutely into the details of the work. It is expected that the work when completed will cost about 400,000 marks (22,000).

A MILE IN HALF A MINUTE.

"I expect to do a mile in the automobile in half a minute," Fournier, the famous automobile, is reported to have said recently—and the interviewer says, he seemed as sure in his prediction as if he were speaking of having coffee and rolls for breakfast next morning.

"I have done the mile in 46 seconds several times recently," he continued, "and I hold the official record at just a fraction more than that.

I HAVE NO HESITATION IN SAYING THAT OFTEN I HAVE TRAVELED AT THE RATE OF A MILE IN FORTY SECONDS.

"I have no hesitation in saying that often I have travelled at the rate of a mile in forty seconds, though not for a long distance. There is no limit of speed in the automobile." Asked how it feels to run an automobile at the rate of a mile in forty-six seconds, he replied:

"It is like flying. I suppose if a man could sit astride of the projectile of a 13-inch gun he would feel about as we did in that record-making trip the other day. You look straight ahead, intent only on the road that lies directly in front; and yet somehow your eyes manage

to take in the general effect of the country as you pass it. And the result? You are intensely cold from passing through the air at such a high rate of speed. And you are hungry! Oh, how hungry!"

A PLAGUE "DOCTOR."

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MEN'S PANTS, SINGLTS, TIES,
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A Large Quantity of FINE IRISH
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Hongkong, 23rd March, 1903. [963]

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Address— C. R.,
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1903. [958]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that night firing will take place at Stonemasons' Island TO-DAY (WEDNESDAY), and TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 25th and 26th instant, from 7 to 9.30 p.m.

By Command, F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 24th March, 1903. [962]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will take place TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 26th MARCH, from a position on Chai Lun Chai Hill (1370) towards targets placed on East side of Nog Tankok (1980).

By Command, F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 25th March, 1903. [961]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out from 6 p.m. Q.F. gun at Stonemasons' Island, West Battery, on MONDAY and TUESDAY Next, the 30th and 31st instant, at targets in a Westerly direction.

Practices will commence at about 9 a.m.
By Command, F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 24th March, 1903. [960]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.
THE Company's Steamship

"HAICHING,"
Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the above ports on FRIDAY, the 27th inst., at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
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Hongkong, 24th March, 1903. [957]

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SANDER, WIELER & CO.,
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Princes' Buildings.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1903. [953]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

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FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

Consignees of cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

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Damaged packages must be left in the godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1903. [951]

NEW ADVERTISEMENT

OIL PAINTING.

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Hongkong, 25th March, 1903. [959]

NOTICE.

A CERTIFICATED COMPETENT ACCOUNTANT seeks a permanent engagement for a moderate remuneration, and offers his services to any firms here (mercantile or others) whether as the Accountant or Assistant. In the absence of which, he is prepared to open or close sets of books, write up monthly accounts, and do auditing works. Extra work will be accepted as well.

Please communicate with— H. M. E.,
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1903. [880]

TO THE RATEPAYER WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE FORTHCOMING SANITARY BOARD ELECTION.

Gentlemen.—At the request of a very influential section of our community I come forward and am prepared to stand for election as a member of the Sanitary Board.

I was born in the Colony about 4 years ago, was educated at the Colony School, and in 1882 gained the Morrison Scholarship, then the only scholarship awarded, my competitor being 90 per cent. Chinese boy and the principal subjects translations from English into Chinese and vice-versa.

During the past 15 years I have followed my present occupation, that of Land and Commission Agent.

This calling has given me many opportunities of studying house-construction and the laws of Sanitation. I have at all times taken a great interest in the innumerable measures which have been brought forward relating to our Sanitary condition.

I was one of the signatories to the Petition sent to the Secretary of State, praying for the appointment of a Commission to enquire into the Sanitary state of this Colony. And, with many others, I was greatly surprised and disappointed when I read the measures contained in the Draft Bill, recommended by the Experts from Home, which accompanied their joint report.

On the appearance of the Draft Bill in the "Government Gazette," I believe I was the first to criticize through the medium of the Press the recommendations made.

From that time onward I have contributed many articles dealing with the various sections of the Bill, which after numerous amendments, has now passed into law.

When this Bill was before the Council in the first stage, I was requested to assist the Committee of the Chinese Commercial Union in their efforts to point out the objectionable clauses in the Bill, and a Petition was sent to the Government praying for amendment.

The present Public Health and Buildings Ordinance is in part the result of our labours, and in my opinion no better Ordinance under the circumstances could have been enacted.

It is always easy to make suggestions but sometimes very difficult to carry them out.

As in this Colony three-fourths of our inhabitants are composed of the lower class of Chinese surrounded by conditions of a very exceptional character, owing to their habits of life, I can plainly see that the principal factors to a successful Sanitary administration are firmness, kindness, great tact and the enlistment of public sympathy.

As I have stated above, this is my native place and my home. All my interests are centred here and are likely to remain so until the end of my days.

I am a self-made man and believe I enjoy to no inconsiderable extent the confidence of most of the leading Chinese land-owners in this Colony. Should I be elected, dependent as I am entirely on the prosperity of this place, I shall devote all the time which the responsibilities of my office may demand, for I fully appreciate the importance of those responsibilities.

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Yours faithfully, AHMET BUMJAHN,
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1903. [950]

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Hongkong, 26th February, 1903. [651]

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Hongkong, 19th December, 1902. [117-1]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from C. C. COHEN, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction.

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Hongkong, 16th May, 1892. [26]

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- That the Company may, underwrite the whole or any part of the fire risks on all, or any, of its properties as the directors may from time to time determine.
- That the sum of \$200,000 now standing to the credit of Permanent Reserve Fund be transferred to the credit of an "Insurance Reserve Fund" and that this Fund shall be credited with the same premiums on the properties underwritten by the Company as if they had been insured with other companies, and that all losses by fire shall be met out of the same Fund.
- JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1903. [815]

CAMPEELL, MOORE & COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the above COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 29, Queen's Road Central, at 4 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 31st MARCH, 1903, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd to the 31st MARCH, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

M. A. A. SOUZA,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1903. [833]

NOTICES OF FIRMS

THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

CONSEQUENT upon the retirement of Mr. W. H. RAY, owing to ill-health, Mr. JAMES WHITFALL has, from this date, been appointed SECRETARY of the above Company.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
E. W. MATTLAND,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1903. [833]

THE CHINA MERCHANTS' STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this Day taken over the duties of MANAGER of the above Company.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
CHAN HEWAN,
Manager.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1903. [833]

WANTED.

FOR the International Settlement of Kulangsu, Amoy, a Competent Man to act as SECRETARY and SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE. Preference will be given to a man with some knowledge of Sanitary Engineering. Salary \$40 per month. There would be no objection to his accepting outside work, provided the same would not interfere with his duties. The selected candidate must pass a Medical Examination.

Apply to—
W. S. ORE,
Chairman, Kulangsu Municipal Council.
Amoy, 19th March, 1903. [836]

WANTED.

INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS OF HONGKONG.

WANTED a MANAGER for above Institution.

Apply to—
HON. SECRETARY,
Hongkong, 21st March, 1903. [927]

WANTED.

COMPETENT SALESMAN for English House at Shanghai. Indents only. Soft goods.

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Apply—
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SIA, Nanking Road, Shanghai.
18th March, 1903. [836]

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A YOUNG FOX TERRIER DOG (about 6 months old).

Apply to—
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Hongkong, 19th March, 1903. [837]

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NOTICE.

FROM the 1st April next and until further notice the Price of BEAD will be TEN CENTS PER POUND.

D. NOWROOZEE & SON,
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Hongkong, 16th March, 1903. [833]

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ARRIVALS.

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Mar. 23, HAIPING, British str., 1,260, MacFarlane, Chingwangtso 16th March and Shanghai 20th, Coal—C. L. & MINING CO.
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Mar. 24, BULGEHES, British str., 3,968, G. E. S. Bannister, Singapore 17th Mar., General.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.
Mar. 24, COLUMBIA, Amer. schr., 752, Saguez, Pugot Sound, Lumber—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.
Mar. 24, HAILOONG, British str., 783, Gibson, Amoy 23rd March, General—DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & CO.
Mar. 24, HONGWAN I, British str., 2,026, Penang, Singapore 17th March, General.—CHINESE.
Mar. 24, KAIFONG, British str., 1,024, G. H. Ponfederer, Cebu 15th and Iloilo 20th March, Hemp and Sugar—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.
Mar. 24, KUMANO MARU, Japanese str., 3,147, E. W. Heswell, Yokohama 14th March, General.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Mar. 24, KWONGKANG, British str., 1,427, Lake, Shanghai 20th Mar., General—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
Mar. 24, NANSHAN, British str., 1,299, Storck, Saigon 19th March, General—BRADLEY & CO.
Mar. 24, TAIYUAN, British str., 1,459, Dawson, Australia 28th Feb., General—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.
Mar. 24, TALBOT, British str., from practice.
Mar. 24, THALER, British str., 820, A. J. Ross, Swatow 23rd March, General—DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & CO.
Mar. 24, YAWATA MARU, Japanese str., 2,366, Moss, Manila 22nd March, Gen. al.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Mar. 24, YUNHSANG, British str., 1,128, P. H. Kofie, Manila 21st March, Hemp—JAR-DE NE, MATHESON & CO.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
24th March.
Andalucia, German str., for Singapore.
Amping Min, Japanese str., for Swatow.
Bombay Maru, Japan str., for Singapore.
Hongkong, French str., for Hoihow.
Kwangtung, Chinese str., for Canton.
Kwei Iu Yang, British str., for Canton.
Loyal, German str., for Wuhu.
Michael Jansen, German str., for Hoihow.
Maria Valerie, Austrian str., for Shanghai.
Nankin, British str., for Singapore.
Rosetta Maru, Japanese str., for Manila.
Shinano Maru, Japanese str., for Sasebo.
Taicheng, German str., for Swatow.

DEPARTURES.

23rd March.
KERSAINT, French cruiser, for Hoihow.
24th March.
BERTI SWERS, British str., for Yokohama.
BOMBAY MARU, Japanese str., for Bombay.
EMMA LUYEN, German str., for Wu-hu.
ERNEST SIMONE, French str., for Europe.
HONGKONG, French str., for Hoihow.
KWANTUNG, Chinese str., for Canton.
LOONGMOON, German str., for Shanghai.
LOYAL, German str., for Wuhu.
MARIA VALERIE, Austrian str., for Shanghai.
NANKIN, British str., for London.
ROSSITA MARU, Japanese str., for Manila.
SHINANO MARU, Japanese str., for Seattle.
SKULD, Norwegian str., for Bangkok.
TAICHEONG, German str., for Swatow.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

24th March.
ABERDEEN DOCKS—Germaria, Triumph, c. K-WOOD DOCKS—Kashan, Compania c. Filipinas, Sherman, Isla de Caba, Paul Doumer, Zafiro, Grouse, Hsiung, H.M.S. Glory, Hyades, Cosmopolitan Dock—Chowki.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Brit'ish steamer *Bulgares*, from Singapore 17th inst., had light N.E. wind and fine weather throughout.
The British steamer *Hsing-fu*, from Ching-wang, 2nd Mar., had light N.E. wind and fine weather, but at times.
The British steamer *Thales*, from Swatow 23rd inst., had light westerly winds and calm fine and clear weather. Vessel in Swatow—*Meigou*.
The British steamer *Kai-fa*, from Cebu and Iloilo 20th inst., had moderate to light easterly winds and clear weather throughout, with moderate high N.E. swell in China Sea.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
THE Company's Steamship.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.
THE Company's Steamship.

“HAILOONG.”
Captain Gibson, will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, the 25th inst., at 11 A.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1903. [146]

FOR ILOILO (DIRECT).

THE Steamship
“I. DE LA RAMA.”
Captain F. Such, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 26th inst., at 4 p.m.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for First-class Passengers and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

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BIOS DE I. DE LA RAMA,
19, Connaught Road.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1903. [146]

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Captain C. L. W. Field, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Mar-selles and LONDON DIRECT, on SATURDAY, the 28th March, at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1903. [146]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Hongkong, 24th March, 1903. [146]

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will be despatched for the above ports on or about 30th March.

For Freight and further information, apply to

STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF NEW YORK,
Oriental Freight Department,

Agents.

Hongkong, 13th March, 1903. [146]

CHINA COMMERCIAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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FOR MANZANILLO, MEXICO AND SAN FRANCISCO VIA NOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

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Captain E. Porter, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 31st inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 35, Queen's Road Central, 2nd Floor.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1903. [146]

FOR SINGAPORE, RANGOON AND MOULMAIN.

THE Steamship

“FREIBURG.”

Captain P. H. Rolfe, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 2nd April, at Noon.

For Freight, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1903. [146]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS—POSTE FRANCAISE.

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Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1903. [146]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Company's Steamship

“EASTERN.”

Captain Ellis, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 9th April, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a refrigerating chamber, which ensures the supply of fresh provisions, ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Hongkong, 17th March, 1903. [146]

WING ON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

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S.S. “CHU KONG” (Captain Mason).

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Hongkong, 16th March, 1903. [146]

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FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OANFA"	On 26th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MENELAUS"	On 27th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 3rd April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 9th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KEEMUN"	On 16th April.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON VIA GENOA	"KINTUCK"	On 31st March.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"GLAUCUS"	On 14th April.
LONDON	"DEUCALION"	On 28th April.
LONDON	"AGAMEMNON"	On 12th May.
LONDON	"CALCHAS"	On 26th May.

LIVERPOOL BERTH.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LIVERPOOL VIA MARSEILLES	"PINGSUEY"	On 18th April.
LIVERPOOL VIA GENOA	"PATROCLUS"	On 25th May.

CONTINENTAL BERTH.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST POINTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"OANFA"	On 28th March.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST POINTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"OANFA"	On 28th March.

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Hongkong, 24th March, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO.
LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"SINGAN"	On 25th March.
SWATOW, CHEFOO and TIENSIN	"NANCHANG"	On 26th March.
MANILA	"SUNGKANG"	On 25th March.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"TAIYUAN"	On 28th March.
CEBU and ILOIO	"KAIKONG"	On 28th March.
SHANGHAI	"KANSU"	On 1st April.
MANILA	"CHINGTU"	On 4th April.

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Hongkong, 24th March, 1903.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW	"DAIJIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 29th
AND AMOY	T. OGATA	March
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW	"ANPING MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 26th
AND AMOY	I. Goto	March
ANPING, VIA SWATOW	"MAIDZURU MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 1st
AND AMOY	T. SATO	April

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Hongkong, 19th March, 1903.

T. ARIKA, Manager

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL ON REMARKS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO and BOMBAY	NANKIN	About 24th	Freight only.
MOJI and KOBE	PEKIN	March	
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI and KOBE	C. R. Longden, E.N.E.	About 25th	Freight only.
(Passing through the Inland Sea)	C. J. Benton, E.N.E.	March	
LONDON DIRECT	C. L. W. Field	Noon, 28th	See Special
SHANGHAI	F. R. Summers	March	Advertisement.
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO and BOMBAY	MAGAZON	About 31st	Freight or Passage.
LONDON AND ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	CANDIA	Noon, 1st	Freight only.
	E. G. Andrews	April	

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Hongkong, 25th March, 1903.

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Largest and Fastest Steamers on the route. Excellent Accommodation. Cuisine Unexcelled. Unrivalled Speed. Fitted throughout with Electric Light. Doctor and Stewards carried.

Steamship Captain Tons Sailing Date.

"ROHILLA MARU"	E. P. Bishop . . .	3869	Tuesday, 31st March, at Noon.
"ROSETTA MARU"	N. Tate	3876	Friday, 3rd April, at Noon.

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K. NAKASHIMA, Manager.

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THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS, WEDNESDAY MARCH 25TH, 1903.

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Per *Packet Mail* for Europe, &c., per s.s. *Malta*, will close at 3 p.m. on Friday, the 27th inst. The *Wakasa Maru*, with the French Mail of the 26th inst., left Singapore on Friday, the 20th inst., and may be expected here to-morrow. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 17th January.

The *Malacca*, with the English Mail of the 27th ult., left Singapore on Sunday, the 22nd inst., at noon, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 27th inst. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 26th January.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	PER	DATE
Canton	Wednesday, 25th	7.30 A.M.
Amoy	Wednesday, 25th	9.00 A.M.
Shanghai	Wednesday, 25th	9.00 A.M.
Swatow and Bangkok	Wednesday, 25th	9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Wednesday, 25th	9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui	Wednesday, 25th	10.00 A.M.
Hainan	Wednesday, 25th	11.00 A.M.
Telencus	Wednesday, 25th	11.00 A.M.
Award	Wednesday, 25th	1.15 P.M.
Hipeng	Wednesday, 25th	2.00 P.M.
Airte	Wednesday, 25th	3.00 P.M.
Yacata Maru	Wednesday, 25th	3.00 P.M.
Sungham	Wednesday, 25th	3.00 P.M.
Nanchang	Wednesday, 25th	4.00 P.M.
Tungkong	Wednesday, 25th	4.00 P.M.
Singan	Wednesday, 25th	5.00 P.M.
Germania	Wednesday, 25th	5.00 P.M.
Taile	Wednesday, 25th	5.00 P.M.
Fatshan	Wednesday, 25th	5.00 P.M.
Triumph	Wednesday, 25th	5.00 P.M.
Indoranchi	Wednesday, 25th	5.00 P.M.
Hoiho	Thursday, 26th	8.00 A.M.
Hoiho and Pakhoi	Thursday, 26th	3.00 P.M.
Iloilo	Thursday, 26th	3.00 P.M.

TO-DAY.

Sale, Household Furniture, No. 1, Cameron Villas, Peak, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 2.30 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Extraordinary General Meeting of Hamphires Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., noon.

Sale, Furniture, No. 2, Elliot Crescent, Robin-son Road, Mr. Geo. P. Lammet, 2.30 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

24th March.

ON LONDON.— Telegraphic Transfer 17/4

Bank Bills, on demand 1/4

Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 1/4

Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 1/4

Credits, at 4 months' sight 1/4

Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 1/4

ON PARIS.— Bank Bills, on demand 200/4

Credits, at 4 months' sight 204/4

ON GERMANY.— On demand 163/4

ON NEW YORK.— Bank Bills, on demand 387

Credits, 60 days' sight 392

ON BOMBAY.— Telegraphic Transfer 118/4

Bank, on demand 119

ON CALCUTTA.— Telegraphic Transfer 118/4

Bank, on demand 119

ON SHANGHAI.— Bank, at sight 73/4

Private, 30 days' sight 74/4

ON YOKOHAMA.— On demand 78/4

ON MANILA.— On demand 1 p.c. p.m.

ON SINGAPORE.— On demand Nominal

ON BATAVIA.— On demand 8/4

ON HONGKONG.— On demand 3 p.c. pm.

ON SAIGON.— On demand 2 p.c. pm.

ON BANGKOK.— On demand 60/4

STEREOTYPES, Bank's Baying Rate \$12.50

GOLD LEAF, 100 lire, per tel. \$5.40

THE SILVER, per oz. 2.2

OPium.

20th March.

Quotations are: Allow me not to 1 catty.

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Malwa Old \$1100 to \$1130 "

Malwa V. Old \$1140 to \$1160 "

Foreign quality \$780 to "

Persian extra fine, to "

Patna New \$105 to per chot.

Patna Old to "

Bengares New \$105 to "

Bengares Old to "

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The N.Y.K. steamer *Wakasa Maru* (European Line) with mails transferred from the M.M. steamer *Tonkin*, left Singapore for this port on the 20th inst., and is expected here to-morrow.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-China steamer *Kumsong*, from Calcutta and the Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 20th inst., p.m.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. steamer *Malacca* left Singapore for this port on the 22nd inst., at noon, and is due here on the 27th inst., at about noon.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Prinz Heinrich* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 22nd inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 31st inst.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Kiawach* left Colombo on the 20th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 1st prox.

The P. & O. steamer *Socota* left Singapore for this port on the 19th inst., at 8 p.m.

The M.M. steamer *Tonkin* left Singapore on the 18th inst., at 7 p.m., for this port via Saigon.

The A.L. steamer *Nippon* left Kobe via Moji for this port on the 23rd inst.

The H.A.L. steamer *Saxonia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 23rd inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 29th inst.

The "Barber" line steamer *Sagami* left Singapore on the 10th inst., a.m. for this port via Manila.

The N.P. steamer *Olympia* arrived at Yokohama on the 18th inst.

The P. & O. steamer *Indorelli* left Port Said (Or.) for this port via Yokohama, Kobe and Moji, on the 8th inst., and may be expected here on the 8th prox.

The N.P. steamer *Tacoma* left Victoria (B.C.) for Kobe direct on the 8th inst.

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Campbell, Moon & Co. 18 \$100, buyers £40, sellers £100.

China Light and Power Co. 17 \$100, buyers £10, sellers £10.

China Prov. L. & M. 16 \$100, buyers £10, sellers £10.

China Sugar 15 \$100, buyers £10, sellers £10.

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International 12 \$100, buyers £10, sellers £10.

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